

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please substitute the following paragraph for the abstract now appearing in the currently filed specification:

A method for controlling a drink preparation machine (1) for preparing a multiple number of different drink units on a hot water basis, including withdrawing is described. ~~The hot water for the multiple number of drink units is withdrawn from the same hot water source (8), and, so as.~~ ~~In order~~ to design the withdrawal in a way that provides a higher capacity, it ~~is proposed to monitoring~~ the performance status of the hot water source (8), and ~~to~~ controlling the hot water withdrawal in such a way that the hot water withdrawal is released for all drink units at a predetermined full performance status (I), blocked for all drink units at a predetermined zero performance status and, at a predetermined partial performance status (II), blocked for predetermined drink units and released for other predetermined drink units.